



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS

### Members

Abby Weiss, Chair

Ileana Ovalle Engel • Ann Haddad • Katherine Nakamura • Wendy Urushima-Conn • Sarah White • Alan Ziegaus

### MINUTES

#### BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY Wednesday, February 3, 2016

### ATTENDANCE

#### Commissioners:

**Present:** Abby Weiss, Ileana Ovalle Engel, Ann Haddad, Katherine Nakamura, Wendy Urushima-Conn, Sarah White, Alan Ziegaus

#### Absent:

**Staff:** Misty Jones, Library Director; Nicole Spriggs, Executive Assistant; Jay Hill, Chief Operating Officer, San Diego Public Library Foundation

**Public:** Joan Reese, Cindy Olmstead, Katherine Johnston, Amy Valeiras

### CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Weiss at 9:38 a.m. in the Sullivan Commission Room.

### REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCE

None.

### NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

### AGENDA ITEMS (Discussion Item)

- a. Define our role as responsible Commissioners
  - Draft document
  - Create our “Commitment to each other”
  - Establish our guidelines and knowledge base

- b. Conduct more vibrant and engaged Commission meetings
  - Alter agenda to be more ‘generative’ to improve quality of discussions and opportunities for engagement
  - Establish dedicated discussion time
  - Send out Standing Reports in advance
  - Check with City to make certain of agenda protocol
  - Have Department “Check In” updates as appropriate
- c. Engage in greater community outreach and awareness to know more about the needs within our Library System
  - Educate ourselves by going on site visits to branches
  - Educate the rest of Commissioners by sharing learning and awareness
  - Work with the Mayor’s office to fill our knowledge gaps about the Library System
- d. Gain understanding and education on our Library and future opportunities
  - Our History in a book format
  - Other Library Systems: national trends
  - Study other Commission models
  - Conferences
- e. Advocate for budgetary dollars to ensure stability and efficiency
  - Materials
  - Technology to support Mayor’s goals
  - Coordination and communication with Foundation and Friends

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The January 6, 2016 minutes were approved unanimously.

## **COMMISSIONER COMMENT**

None.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

The next Board of Library Commissioners meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at the San Diego Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common in the Sullivan Commission Room on the 9<sup>th</sup> Floor.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Weiss adjourned the meeting at 2:02 p.m.



MISTY JONES  
Library Director  
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